

## Message Text

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INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SNM-02 OC-05 CCO-00 /018 W

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FM AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1483

DEA HEADQUARTERS WASHDC

INFO AMCONSUL BELIZE

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E.O. 11652 NA

TAGS: SNAR, ACOM

SUBJ: ROUTING OF DEA CABLE TRAFFIC

REF: DEA HQ 9761

1. REFTEL, SLUGGED IMMEDIATE, WAS RECEIVED AT 5:43 P.M. GUATEMALA TIME APRIL 29. IN PART IT CONCERNED ARRIVAL IN BELIZE OF SUSPECTED NARCOTICS TRAFFICERS TWO HOURS EARLIER, AT 3:35 P.M., AND IN PART IT REPORTED ARRIVAL OF CI AT 7:00 A.M. APRIL 30. ALTHOUGH ADDRESSED TO THIS EMBASSY FOR ACTION, IT WAS IN FACT FOR ACTION OF AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL BELIZE AND DEA SPECIAL AGENT CANAS, WHO IS IN BELIZE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS INVESTIGATION.

2. BY TIME IT WAS DETERMINED THAT BOTH DEA OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO THIS EMBASSY WERE OUT OF THE COUNTRY, EMBASSY C&R HAD CLOSED FOR THE DAY. IT WAS NECESSARY TO CALL COMMUNICATOR IN, ON OVERTIME, TO RETRANSMIT REFTEL NIACT IMMEDIATE TO CONSULATE GENERAL BELIZE FOR ACTION. IT WAS OF COURSE ALSO NECESSARY FOR DUTY COMMUNICATOR TO COME IN ON OVERTIME IN BELIZE TO RECEIVE MESSAGE.

3. THIS COULD HAVE BEEN AVOIDED IF REFTEL HAD SIMPLY INCLUDED BELIZE AS ADDRESSEE. THIS IS NOT FIRST TIME DEA HEADQUARTERS CABLES HAVE HAD TO BE REPEATED TO OTHER POSTS BECAUSE THEY CONTAINED INFORMATION NEEDED BY  
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NARCOTICS COORDINATORS AT THOSE POSTS. TO CITY EXAMPLES

ONLY FROM LAST TWO MONTHS, DEA 4627, 5906, 6504, 7690,  
AND 9234 SHOULD ALL HAVE BEEN SENT TO BELIZE AS WELL AS  
TO GUATEMALA CITY. DEA 4917 SHOULD HAVE GONE TO SAN  
SALVADOR. DEA 7550 AND 9022 SHOULD HAVE BEEN SENT TO  
SAN JOSE AND TEGUCIGALPA FOR ACTION. RETRANSMISSION OF  
THESE MESSAGES HAS IMPOSED AN ADDITIONAL AND ENTIRELY UN-  
NECESSARY BURDEN ON THIS EMBASSY'S C&R PERSONNEL.  
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